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SUBJECT: OPENING SPEECHES AT OAU NINTH EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

1. PRESIDENT JULIUS NYERERE IN OPENING NINTH EXTRAORDINARY
SESSION OF OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS SAID THE CONFERENCE WOULD
BE A SUCCESS QUOTE IF IT LEAVES SOUTH AFRICA IN NO DOUBT THAT
ALL OF AFRICA PREFERS A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE DECOLONIZATION
PROBLEM IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. IF SOUTH AFRICA DOES NOT ACCEPT A
PEACEFUL SOLUTION THEN WE MUST RESORT TO ARMED STRUGGLE. UNQUOTE.

2. PRESIDENT NYERERE THEN COUNSELED THE DELEGATES NOT TO QUOTE
SPEND TOO MUCH TIME TALKING ABOUT TALKING TO SOUTH AFRICA
UNQUOTE. CONTINUING, HE SAID QUOTE THIS CONFERENCE IS NOT ABOUT
DIALOGUE OR DETENTE BUT THE LIBERATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA. WE
HAVE BUT ONE PURPOSE AND THAT IS TO MAKE CLEAR NOW AFRICA SHOULD
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PROCEED AFTER THE SUCCESSES OF LIBERATION IN MOZAMBIQUE

AND ANGOLA UNQUOTE.

3. ACKNOWLEDGING THE STRUGGLE OF AFRICAN NATIONS AND OTHERS DURING THE LIBERATION CAMPAIGNS OF THE LAST DECADE AND A HALF, NYERERE SAID THAT THE FEW SUCCESSES ACHIEVED WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT UNITED AND CONSORTED ACTION. NYERERE SAID THAT THE UN ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA IS NOT BEING TOTALLY OBSERVED AND CITED FRANCE BY NAME AS EXAMPLE. QUOTE OTHER POWERFUL NATIONS HAVE NOT BEEN SO WILLING TO RUN THE WRATH OF AFRICAN NATIONS UNQUOTE THE PRESIDENT SAID. HE NOTED THAT WHILE FRANCE CONTINUED TO DEAL WITH SOUTH AFRICA IT WAS STILL ABLE TO MAINTAIN FRIENDSHIPS WITH CERTAIN AFRICAN STATES.

4. NYERERE SAID THAT THE PROSPECT FOR DECOLONIZATION IN THE REMAINING TERRITORIES IN AFRICA HAD NOW CHANGED. QUOTE IN THE PAST WE HAVE HAD TO DEAL WITH A EUROPEAN COLONIAL POWER. NOW IN THE TERRITORIES WHICH REMAIN IT IS PRIMARILY NECESSARY TO DEAL WITH SOUTH AFRICA BECAUSE OF ITS GREAT INFLUENCE IN RHODESIA AND ITS CONTROL OF NAMIBIA UNQUOTE.

5. QUOTE SOUTH AFRICA IS THE EFFECTIVE AUTHORITY IN DEALING WITH OUR REMAINING PROBLEMS.. THE BASIC CONFRONTATION IS NOW SOUTH AFRICA UNQUOTE.

6. NYERERE IN DISCUSSING THE LUSAKA MANIFESTO CALLED IT A STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLE AND SAID THE PRESENT MEETING OF OAU MINISTERS MUST DEVELOP A STATEMENT OF STRATEGY.

7. AMONG THOSE DELEGATIONS CALLED UPON TO RESPOND TO NYERERE'S SPEECH WERE LIBYA, KENYA, TOGO AND THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS. PRINCIPAL SURPRISE OF THE AFTERNOON WAS IN KENYAN FOREIGN MINISTER'S AGGRESSIVE REMARKS WHICH DISCOUNTED PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS AND CALLED FOR ARMED STRUGGLE QUOTE SUCH AS TOOK PLACE WHEN KENYA WON ITS INDEPENDENCE UNQUOTE. THE KENYAN SAID THE TALKS WITH SOUTH AFRICA SHOULD ONLY BE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE OAU AND CALLED FOR A TOTAL BOYCOTT OF SOUTH AFRICA BY OTHER AFRICAN NATIONS UNTIL INDEPENDENCE AND EQUALITY ARE WON.

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8. REMARKS BY THE LIBYAN DELEGATE WERE SIMILARLY AGGRESSIVE, BUT THE TOGOLESE AND BISHOP MUZOREWA FOR ANC WERE MORE CONCILIATORY IN TONE. MUZOREWWA URGED A PEACEFUL APPROACH TO LIBERATION IN LINE WITH THE LUSAKA MANIFESTO AND SAID IT WAS THIS DOCUMENT WHICH SERVED AS THE MANDATE FOR THE ACTIVITIES OF KENNETH KAUNDA, SERETSE KHAMA AND JULIUS NYERERE. THE BISHOP THEN SAID THAT IF PEACEFUL MEANS FAIL, THEN ARMED STRUGGLE IS THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE.

9. FULL TEXT OF NYERERE'S SPEECH AND EMBASSY COMMENTS FOLLOW
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